

amended, Office of National Drug Control Policy Reauthorization Act of 2003.

#### **WASTED SPACE, WASTED DOLLARS— REFORMING REAL PROPERTY**

*Committee on Government Reform:* Held a hearing entitled “Wasted Space, Wasted Dollars: Reform Federal Real Property to Meet 21st Century Needs.” Testimony was heard from Steven Perry, Administrator, GSA; Linda Springer, Controller, Office of Federal Financial Management, OMB; Bernard Ungar, Director, Physical Infrastructure Issues, GAO; Mark Catlett, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Management, Department of Veterans Affairs; Charles Williams, Director, Overseas Building Operations, Department of State; and a public witness.

#### **OVERSIGHT—DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Held an oversight hearing entitled “The United States Department of Justice.” Testimony was heard from John Ashcroft, The Attorney General.

#### **HARMFUL ALGAL BLOOM AND HYPOXIA RESEARCH AMENDMENTS ACT**

*Committee on Science:* Subcommittee on Environment, Technology, and Standards approved for full Committee action, as amended, H.R. 1856, Harmful Algal Bloom and Hypoxia Research Amendments Act of 2003.

#### **MANUFACTURING R&D: HOW CAN THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT HELP?**

*Committee on Science:* Subcommittee on Environment, Technology, and Standards held a hearing on Manufacturing R&D: How Can the Federal Government Help? Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### **OVERSIGHT—AIRCRAFT CABIN ENVIRONMENT**

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Aviation held an oversight hearing on The Aircraft Cabin Environment. Testimony was heard from John L. Jordan, M.D., Federal Air Surgeon, Office of Aerospace Medicine, FAA, Department of Transportation; John Howard, M.D., Director, National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

#### **BRIEFING—GLOBAL INTELLIGENCE UPDATE**

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence:* Subcommittee on Intelligence Policy and National Security met in executive session to hold a briefing on Global Intelligence Update. The Subcommittee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

#### **BIO-WARFARE THREATS**

*Select Committee on Homeland Security:* Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness and Response and the Subcommittee on Intelligence and Counterterrorism, joint hearing entitled “Does the Homeland Security Act of 2002 give the Department the tools it needs to Determine Which Bio-Warfare Threats are Most Serious?” Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Homeland Security: Paul J. Redmond, Assistant Secretary, Information Analysis; and Eric Tolbert, Director, Response Division, Emergency Preparedness and Response Directorate.

### *Joint Meetings*

#### **ARMING ROGUE REGIMES**

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe (Helsinki Commission): Commission concluded hearings to examine arming rogue regimes, focusing on the role of Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE) Participating States, after receiving testimony from John Robert Bolton, Under Secretary of State for Arms Control and International Security; Roman Kupchinsky, Crime and Corruption Watch and Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty, Prague, Czech Republic; and Terence Taylor, International Institute for Strategic Studies—US, Washington, D.C.

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#### **COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, JUNE 6, 2003**

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

##### **Senate**

*Committee on Armed Services:* to hold closed hearings to examine mission of the 75th Exploitation Task Force and the mission performed by the Iraq survey group related to Iraqi weapons of mass destruction and other issues, 10 a.m., S-407, Capitol.

*Committee on Finance:* to hold hearings to examine issues related to strengthening and improving Medicare, 10 a.m., SD-215.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Eduardo Aguirre, Jr., of Texas, to be Director of the Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security, 9:30 a.m., SD-226.

##### **House**

*Committee on Government Reform,* Subcommittee on Energy Policy, Natural Resources and Regulatory Affairs, hearing on “Elevation of the Environmental Protection Agency to Department Level Status: H.R. 37, and H.R. 2138 (Department of Environmental Protection Act),” 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Select Committee on Homeland Security*, hearing entitled “Bioshield: Lessons from Current Efforts to Develop Bio-Warfare Countermeasures,” 9 a.m., 345 Cannon.

## CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of June 9 through June 13, 2003

### Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, at 1 p.m., Senate will resume consideration of S. 14, Energy Policy Act. Also, at 5:15 p.m., Senate will consider the nomination of Michael Chertoff, of New Jersey, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit, with 30 minutes of debate, to be followed by a vote on confirmation of the nomination to occur at 5:45 p.m.

During the balance of the week, Senate will continue consideration of S. 14 (listed above) and any other cleared legislative and executive business.

### Senate Committees

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

*Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry*: June 12, to hold hearings to examine the Department of Agriculture’s implementation of the Agricultural Risk Protection Act of 2000 and related crop insurance issues, 10 a.m., SR-328A.

*Committee on Armed Services*: June 10, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence programs, 9:30 a.m., S-407, Capitol.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs*: June 10, to hold hearings to examine the Administration’s proposal for reauthorization of the Federal Public Transportation Program, 10 a.m., SD-538.

June 12, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine expanding homeownership opportunities, 10 a.m., SD-538.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation*: June 10, to hold hearings to examine reauthorization of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

June 11, Subcommittee on Competition, Foreign Commerce, and infrastructure, to hold hearings to examine reauthorization of the Federal Trade Commission, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

June 12, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine global overfishing, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

June 12, Subcommittee on Science, Technology, and Space, to hold hearings to examine issues relating to cloning, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources*: June 10, Subcommittee on National Parks, to hold hearings to examine S. 499, to authorize the American Battle Monuments Commission to establish in the State of Louisiana a memorial to honor the Buffalo Soldiers, S. 546, to provide for the protection of paleontological resources on Federal lands, S. 643, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior, in cooperation with the University of New Mexico, to construct and occupy a portion of the Hibben Center for Archaeological Research at the University of New Mexico, S. 677, to revise the boundary of the Black Canyon

of the Gunnison National Park and Gunnison Gorge National Conservation Area in the State of Colorado, S. 1060 and H.R. 1577, bills to designate the visitor center in Organ Pipe National Monument in Arizona as the “Kris Eggle Visitor Center”, H.R. 255, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to grant an easement to facilitate access to the Lewis and Clark Interpretative Center in Nebraska City, Nebraska, and H.R. 1012, to establish the Carter G. Woodson Home National Historic Site in the District of Columbia, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

June 12, Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests, to hold hearings to examine S. 434, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to sell or exchange all or part of certain parcels of National Forest System land in the State of Idaho and use the proceeds derived from the sale or exchange for National Forest System purposes, S. 435, to provide for the conveyance by the Secretary of Agriculture of the Sandpoint Federal Building and adjacent land in Sandpoint, Idaho, S. 490, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to convey certain land in the Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit, Nevada, to the Secretary of the Interior, in trust for the Washoe Indian Tribe of Nevada and California, H.R. 762, to amend the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 and the Mineral Leasing Act to clarify the method by which the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture determine the fair market value of certain rights-of-way granted, issued, or renewed under these Acts, S. 1111, to provide suitable grazing arrangements on National Forest System land to persons that hold a grazing permit adversely affected by the standards and guidelines contained in the Record of Decision of the Sierra Nevada Forest Plan Amendment and pertaining to the Willow Flycatcher and the Yosemite Toad, and H.R. 622, to provide for the exchange of certain lands in the Coconino and Tonto National Forests in Arizona, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works*: June 10, Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, and Water, to hold hearings to examine the current regulatory and legal status of federal jurisdiction of navigable waters under the Clean Water Act, focusing on issues raised by the Supreme Court in *Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County v. U.S. Army Corps of Engineers* No. 99-1178, 10 a.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Foreign Relations*: June 12, to hold hearings to examine repercussions of Iraq stabilization and reconstruction policies, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

*Committee on Governmental Affairs*: June 11, Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, to hold hearings to examine patient safety, focusing on instilling hospitals with a culture of continuous improvement, 9 a.m., SD-342.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions*: June 11, business meeting to consider S. 648, to amend the Public Health Service Act with respect to health professions programs regarding the practice of pharmacy, proposed legislation entitled “Greater Access to Affordable Pharmaceuticals Act”, and pending nominations, 10 a.m., SD-430.

June 12, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine private sector lessons for Medicare, 10 a.m., SD-430.

June 12, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine certain issues relative to TWA/American Airline work-force integration, 2 p.m., SD-430.

*Committee on Indian Affairs:* June 11, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Charles W. Grim, of Oklahoma, to be Director of the Indian Health Service, Department of Health and Human Services, to be followed by hearings on S. 1146, to implement the recommendations of the Garrison Unit Tribal Advisory Committee by providing authorization for the construction of a rural health care facility on the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation, North Dakota, 10 a.m., SR-485.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* June 11, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of William H. Pryor, Jr., of Alabama, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Eleventh Circuit, and Diane M. Stuart, of Utah, to be Director of the Violence Against Women Office, Department of Justice, 9:30 a.m., SD-266.

June 11, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine P2P file-sharing networks, focusing on personal and national security risks, 2 p.m., SD-226.

June 12, Subcommittee on Constitution, Civil Rights and Property Rights, business meeting to consider S.J. Res. 1, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to protect the rights of crime victims, 9:30 a.m., SD-226.

### House Chamber

To be announced.

### House Committees

*Committee on Armed Services,* June 11, hearing on worldwide U.S. military commitments, 1 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

*Committee on Education and the Workforce,* June 10, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 438, Teacher Recruitment and Retention Act of 2003; and H.R. 2211, Ready to Teach Act, 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce,* June 10, Subcommittee and Air Quality, hearing entitled "Natural Gas Supply and Demand Issues," 2 p.m., 2322 Rayburn.

June 11, Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade and Consumer Protection, hearing entitled "The Reauthorization of the Federal Trade Commission: Positioning the Commission for the Twenty-First Century," 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

June 11, Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet, hearing on entitled "The Spectrum Needs of Our Nation's First Responders," 11 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services,* June 10, Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit, hearing on Financing Employee Ownership Programs: An Overview, 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

June 10, Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity, to continue hearings on "The Section 8 Housing Assistance Program: Promoting Decent Affordable Housing for Families and Individuals Who Rent," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

June 11, Subcommittee and International Monetary Policy, Trade, and Technology, hearing entitled "Matching Capital and Accountability—The Millennium Challenge Account," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Government Reform,* June 10, Subcommittee on Government Efficiency and Financial Management, oversight hearing on "Fixing the Financials—Featuring USDA and Education," 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

June 10, Subcommittee on Technology, Information Policy, Intergovernmental Relations and the Census, oversight hearing entitled "Geospatial Information: A Progress Report on Improving Our Nation's Man-Related Data Infrastructure," 10 a.m., 2247 Rayburn.

June 11, Subcommittee on Technology, Information Policy, Intergovernmental Relations and the Census, to consider the following: The Citizen's Guide on Using the Freedom of Information Act and The Privacy Act of 1974 to Request Government Records, 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on International Relations,* June 10, hearing on Renewing OPIC and Reviewing Its Role in Support of Key U.S. Foreign Policy Priorities, 10:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

June 10, Subcommittee on East Asia and the Pacific, hearing on Recent Developments in Southeast Asia, 1:30 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

June 11, full Committee, hearing on The Middle East Peace Process at a Crossroads, 10:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

June 11, Subcommittee on Europe, hearing on Renewing the Transatlantic Partnership: A View From the United States, 1:30 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

June 11, Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, hearing on Overview of Radio and Television Marti, 2:30 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

*Committee on Resources,* June 12, Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 1006, Captive Wildlife Safety Act; and H.R. 1472, Don't Feed the Bears Act of 2003, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

*Committee on Rules,* June 9, to consider H.R. 2143, Unlawful Internet Gambling Funding Prohibition Act, 5 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

*Committee on Science,* June 10, Subcommittee on Energy, hearing on The Future of University Nuclear Science and Engineering Programs, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

June 11, Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics, hearing on U.S.-Russian Cooperation in Space, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

June 12, Subcommittee on Research, hearing on Plant Biotechnology Research and Development in Africa: Challenges and Opportunities, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Small Business,* June 11, hearing entitled "Revitalizing America's Manufacturers: SBA Business and Enterprise Development Programs," 2 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

June 12, Subcommittee on Tax, Finance, and Exports, hearing on the Chilean Free Trade Agreement, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure,* June 10, Subcommittee on Railroads, oversight hearing on New Technologies in Railroad Safety, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

June 11, Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, hearing on EPA Grants Management: Persistent Problems and Proposed Solutions, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs*, June 10, to continue hearings on past and present efforts to identify and eliminate fraud, waste, abuse and mismanagement in programs administered by the Department of Veterans Affairs, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

June 11, Subcommittee on Benefits, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 886, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for the payment of dependency and indemnity compensation to the survivors of former prisoners of war who died on or before September 30, 1999, under the same eligibility conditions as apply to payment of dependency and indemnity compensation to the survivors of former prisoners of war who die after that date; H.R. 1167, to amend title 38, United States Code, to permit remarried surviving spouses of veterans to be eligible for burial in a national cemetery; H.R. 1500, Veterans' Appraiser Choice Act; H.R. 1516, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a national cemetery for veterans in southeastern Pennsylvania; and H.R. 2163, to amend title 38, United States Code, to exclude the proceeds of life insurance from consideration as income for purposes of determining veterans' pension benefits, 10:30 a.m., 334 Cannon.

June 11, Subcommittee on Health, hearing on the following: H.R. 1720, Veterans Health Care Facilities Capital Improvement Act; a measure to authorize specific major medical construction projects in Las Vegas, Chicago Westside, West Haven, San Diego, and a lease at the Charlotte, NC outpatient clinic; H.R. 116, Veterans'

New Fitzsimons Health Care Facilities Act of 2003; and other measures to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out construction projects for the purpose of improving, renovating, establishing, and updating patient care facilities in the Department of Veterans Affairs, 2 p.m., 334 Cannon.

*Committee on Ways and Means*, June 10, Subcommittee on Trade, hearing on Implementation of the U.S. Bilateral Free Trade Agreements with Chile and Singapore, 1 p.m., 1100 Longworth.

June 11, Subcommittee on Human Resources, hearing on the Administration's Foster Care Flexible Funding Proposal, 2 p.m., B-318 Rayburn.

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence*, June 12, executive, hearing on Special Programs, 2:30 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

June 12, executive, to mark up the Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2004, 5 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

### Joint Meetings

*Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe*: June 10, to hold hearings to examine internally displaced persons in the Caucasus Region and Southeastern Anatolia, 2 p.m., 334, Cannon Building.

*Joint Economic Committee*: June 11, to hold joint hearings to examine issues relating to Iraq's economy, 9:30 a.m., SD-628.